¶ Inſtructions for the Miniſters, and Churchwardens, of the ſeuerall Pariſhes, of the Citie of LONDON.

1 That his Maieſties Declaration publiſhed Aº Dni. 1628. before the Articles of Religion, for ſetling all queſtions in difference, be ſtrictly obſerued.

2 That ſpeciall care bee had concerning Lecturers in euery Pariſh, for whom theſe directions enſuing are to be followed.

1 Firſt, that in all Pariſhes, the afternoones Sermons, be turned into Catechizing by queſtion and anſwer, where, and whenſoeuer there is no great cauſe apparent, to breake this ancient, and profitable order.

2 That euery Lecturer doe read Diuine Seruice, according to the Liturgie, Printed by authoritie, in his ſurplice, and hood, before the Lecture.

3 That where any Lecture is ſet vp in a Market Towne, the ſame be read by a Company of graue, and Orthodore Diuines, neere adioyning, in the ſame Dioceſſe, and that they preach in Gownes, and not in Cloakes, as many vſe to doe.

4 That if a Corporation doe maintayne a ſingle Lecturer, he be not ſuffered to preach, till he profeſſe his willingneſſe to take vpon him, a liuing with cure of Soules, within that Incorporation; and that he do actually take ſuch Benefice, or Cure, ſo ſoone as it ſhall be fairely procured for him.

3 That the Miniſter, and Church-wardens, in euery Pariſh, or one of them, doe by writing, vnder his, or their owne hands, certifie vnto the Archdeacon of London, or his Officiall, at or before the 28. of this preſent Ianuarie, (and afterward at, or before euery Viſitation) the Chriſtian, & Sire-names of euery Lecturer, in their Pariſhes, and the place where hee preacheth (whether exempt, or not exempt) together with his quality, and degree.

4 That they doe in like manner, certifie the names of ſuch Men, as being not qualified by Law, doe keepe Chaplens in their Houſes.

5 That they doe further certifie the names of all ſuch as abſent themſelues from, or are negligent in comming to Diuine Seruice, aſwel prayers, as Catechizings and Sermons.

6 That the Miniſters and Churchwardens of euery Pariſh ſucceſſiuely, doe keepe a ſeuerall copie of theſe Inſtructions, by them, wherby they may be the better informed of their dutie, and that the ſayd coppies be ſhewed at euery Viſitation, when they ſhall preſent all ſuch perſons as haue diſobeyed theſe Inſtructions, that according to his Maieſties pleaſure, ſuch as doe conforme, may be incouraged, and ſuch as are refractorie, may be puniſhed.

Iuſt Ianuarij 1629

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